

E) REMARKS

This preliminary amendment is being filed contemporaneously with a Response to Notice to File Corrected Application Papers to amend the drawings and specification as required in a Notice to File Corrected Application Papers dated April 8, 2004. In the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers, replacement drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 and 37 CFR 1.121 were required because the originally filed drawings were not acceptable.

This preliminary amendment amends originally numbered Figures 5a', 5b', 6a', 6b', 9a' and 9b' to be newly numbered Figures 5C, 5D, 6C, 6D, 9C and 9D, respectively. Specifically, in originally numbered Figure 5a', the figure number has been changed to Figure 5C. In originally numbered Figure 5b', the figure number has been changed to Figure 5D. In originally numbered Figure 6a', the figure number has been changed to Figure 6C. In originally numbered Figure 6b', the figure number has been changed to Figure 6D. In originally numbered Figure 9a', the figure number has been changed to Figure 9C. In originally numbered Figure 9b', the figure number has been changed to Figure 9D. It is submitted that no new matter is being entered by this amendment to the Figures.

This preliminary amendment further amends Figures 1 and 2 to remove figure titles and a part list from the figures, which changes were not required in the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers. It is submitted that no new matter is being entered by this amendment to the Figures.

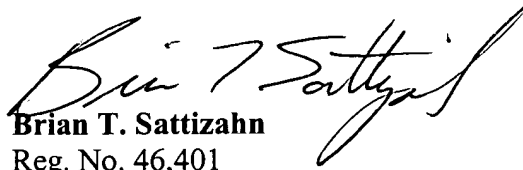
In addition, this preliminary amendment amends the specification to reflect the corresponding changes in the figure numbers and to add descriptions of all of the figures. Support for the description of the figures can be found throughout the specification. As this preliminary amendment is only changing figure numbers and adding figure descriptions that are supported by the specification, it is submitted that no new matter is being entered by this preliminary amendment.

If the Examiner believes that prosecution of this Application could be expedited by a telephone conference, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the Applicant.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees and credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 50-1059.

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